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Filing Date: November 26, 2001  
Group Art Unit: 2166  
Title: AUTOMATED SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR  
PROCESSING PRESCRIPTIONS

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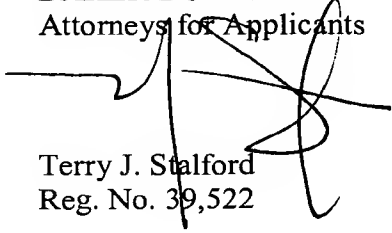
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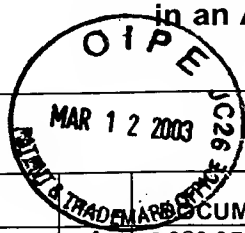
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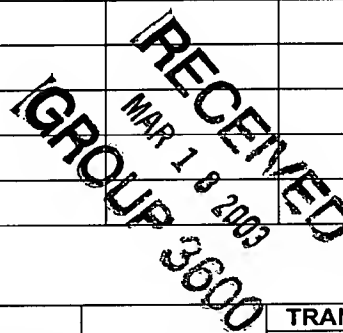
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